

Road Construction Updates

Dec. 14 - Jan. 4, 2012: Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks



Plan Carefully to Maximize Your Fun and Minimize Delays

Our construction season is short, and the work is necessary for everyone's safety. Thank you for your patience.

Are You Planning to See the Big Trees in Sequoia National Park?

You will find **15-minute to 1-hour delays along the main road (Generals Highway)** between the Hwy. 198 entrance to Sequoia National Park and the General Sherman Tree. You will pass through two construction zones along the way. *Construction schedules may change with little notice.*

Avoid Long Delays

Plan your travel to arrive at the Generals Highway reconstruction project close to the times listed. Additional time is required to travel to/from the park entrance to/from this construction zone.

Generals Highway Road Reconstruction Project

Monday - Thursday, Dec. 17-20

7 a.m.-5 p.m. Traffic passes through construction zone **every 1/2-hour** (top and bottom of hour)

Friday - Tuesday, Dec. 21 - Jan. 1

No traffic delays. Traffic will flow unrestricted through the construction zone in both lanes.

Wednesday - Friday, Jan. 2-4

7 a.m.-5 p.m. **Maximum 15-minute delays**

BEGINNING AT 6 P.M. FRIDAY DEC. 14 THRU JAN. 1: No delays during evenings or weekends.

Traffic will flow unrestricted through the construction zone in both lanes.

Utilities Construction Project

Installation of a new water system in a 1.25-mile section of the Generals Highway just north of Giant Forest Museum:

- Expect up to **20-minute delays** with flaggers on weekdays from 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m. through thru December 2012, weather permitting.
- Expect up to **10-minute delays** on traffic lights at all other times (including weekends, **except maximum 20-minute delays on Saturday 12/15**).

Both road projects are being synchronized to reduce wait times.

RVs & TRAILERS

The Generals Highway to the General Sherman Tree, Giant Forest, and Lodgepole is closed to vehicles longer than 22 feet (total combined length) shortly after the Hwy. 198 Sequoia National Park entrance. Longer vehicles should enter and exit the parks via Hwy. 180 at Kings Canyon National Park.

MOTORCYCLES & BICYCLES

Road project work may cause slick, oily, and hazardous road conditions. Slow down and be safe!

How Can You Minimize Delays?

- Give yourself plenty of time to visit.
- Stop by a visitor center, and ask a ranger to help plan your visit.
- Visit the only official park website for major road construction updates: www.nps.gov/seki.
- Call 559-565-3341 for road conditions info (24-hr. recording only).